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REMARKS

Applicants express appreciation for the courtesies extended by the Examiner during a June 25, 2004 telephone conversation wherein the Examiner indicated that the application is in condition for allowance, and would be forwarded to issue upon presentation of an amendment to utilize language preferred by the Examiner. In particular, the Examiner requested that an amendment be filed to change selected from language to comprising language. Moreover, the Examiner requested that "or" be used to even more clearly denote the alternatives recited in the claims.

Moreover, the Examiner indicated that the non-elected claims would be rejoined and allowed with the allowed elected claims.

Still further, the specification is being amended herein to update the Application No. and status of an application cited in the first paragraph of the specification. Also, additional amendments have been made to clarify claim language.

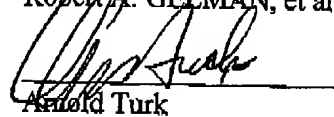
Applicants respectfully submit that the amendments herein should be considered to be cosmetic and no estoppel should be deemed to be associated therewith.

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If there should be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

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